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A Little Rose Book



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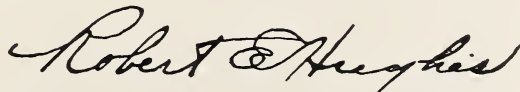
To Old Friends and New



In presenting this, my seventeenth annual catalog of Roses, I wish to thank my many customers and friends for their kind recommendations and to assure them that my very best efforts will be used to merit their continued confidence. In the rough and tumble to put varieties on the market the Hybridists have fostered upon the unsuspecting rose loving public, many weaklings that never should have left the continent of Europe. These weaklings, after a season's growth usually find their way to the rubbish heap. In the selection of varieties I have eliminated such sorts that are known as "Fancy Roses," which only do well in a very few gardens, retaining only such varieties that make good growth and are not exacting in their requirements. I have always refrained from listing a variety from a commercial standpoint, if I think it would not be an advance over similar roses now in commerce. In fairness to our roses I would say they are all field-grown, and budded upon stocks to which they thrive best upon, mostly Jap-multiflora. When selecting roses for the garden, hardness of wood is quite essential, for good roses cannot come from soft grown plants that usually die back when set out.

In conclusion, I respectfully ask the rose loving public for a share of their patronage with the assurance that the varieties following are the best in their respective sections.

Yours faithfully,



Rose Specialist

Williamsville, N. Y.



DAME EDITH HELEN

The Rose of the Year (Description Page 3)

Special Collection of Hybrid Tea Roses

Selection made to include a wide range of color in which we have included many of the newer varieties.

Betty Uprichard (New).....	\$1.25	Mrs. C. Bell (New)	\$1.00
Columbia	1.00	Radiance	1.00
Ophelia	1.00	Red Radiance	1.00
Hadley	1.00	Souv. C. Pernet.....	1.25
Imperial Potentate (New)..	1.25	Souv. Geo. Beckwith (New)	1.25
Los Angeles or Willowmere	1.25		
Miss Lolita Armour	1.15	Total	\$13.40

The Entire Set of 12 Roses, No. 1 Grade for \$12.00.

The Description of Our Roses

The description of our roses is not handed down from the Hybridists who, in a hurry to put their creations on the market, frequently over-estimate the habit of growth and blooming tendencies. Our descriptions are strictly as we find them, always stating defects when they exist.

Hybrid Tea Roses

This class now embodies the delicate shades and delightful fragrance possessed by Tea and H. P. Roses, combining, too, the vigor and more pronounced pink and crimson shades of color previously confined to one crop roses. This class of roses has superseded all others because of their superior constitution and **free blooming propensities**, blooming continuously until cut down by hard frost. They combine all the better traits of the two classes from which they have sprung. This great advantage, together with their delightful fragrance, has given them pride of place in our rose gardens today.

BETTY (A Dickson 1905)—Ruddy Gold and Rose, overspread with Golden Yellow. The bloom is semi-double and is best in autumn. The plant is a good grower. In some gardens where the air does not circulate freely, it will occasionally mildew. 2-year, 85c, Heavy, \$1.15.

BETTY UPRICHARD (New)—Copper Red buds. Flower semi-double of great size and substance. Color, brilliant orange-Carmine, reverse, light Salmon. This new creation has so many sterling qualities that it should be in all collections. Its strong growing habit and resistance to disease makes it an ideal garden variety. I like it. Strong plants \$1.25.

CAROLINE TESTOUT—vigorous—(Ducher 1890)—Light Salmony Pink; large and globular, free and fragrant; not dainty in its requirements. It is justly popular everywhere. Its blooms occasionally droop with age, otherwise it has no bad faults. A good Town Rose. 2-year, \$.85—Heavy, \$1.00.

COLUMBIA—Very Vig.—Almost thornless and has done exceptionally well in the open garden as well as under glass. The flowers are of good size and substantial. A great keeper in the coat. Color, pleasing shade of Rose Pink. As grown in our gardens, the plant is a good doer. In rainy weather the flower speckles somewhat. Then again whoever heard of the perfect rose? See cut, page 9. \$1.00 each.

CHARLES K. DOUGLAS—A new Rose that is highly recommended. Color, striking Carmine-Scarlet that does not fade. A fine grower, delightful foliage and resistant to disease. I am very much impressed with this new English rose. Flowers stand out prominently in the garden rows. A really fascinating Rose. 2-year plants, \$1.00 each.

DAME EDITH HELEN (New)—This new Irish creation is the rose of the year. Never before were we so enthusiastic over a new rose. The plant possesses a strong, vigorous constitution, healthy foliage and very free blooming. The flowers are produced singly on well foliaged, strong canes. The bloom is full, absolutely perfect in every stage of development. The color is Rose du Barre Pink. Deliciously scented. Stock limited. \$2.50 each. Cut, page 2.



SOUV. GEO. BECKWITH (Description Page 15)

ELVIRA ARAMAYO (New)—Unlike any other rose I know. Buds orange scarlet, passing to orange vermillion. The flowers are semi-double and stand out prominently when massed and are produced in endless profusion. Abundant, glossy foliage resistant to disease. \$1.25 each.

DUCHESS OF WELLINGTON—H. T. Vig.—We think this the ideal Yellow H. Tea Rose on account of its many good qualities. It is a strong growing rose of much distinction and very floriferous. This rose has held sway for over 16 years and during that time many yellow roses have come and passed into oblivion. Its apricot fragrance alone makes it worth growing. There is none better. See colored cut. \$1.00—Heavy, \$1.25.

ELDORADO—An American introduction that stands out prominently among the yellow roses. The flower is clear yellow, very large, full and floriferous, fine in autumn. Considered by many equal to Souv. Claudius Pernet. \$1.25 each.

ETOILE DE FRANCE—A strong growing, sparkling deliciously, scented Red Rose. Its large full flowers come singly on long stems, making it invaluable for cutting. Quite hardy. In continued wet weather its buds fail to open, otherwise it is justly popular. 2-year, \$1.00—Extra heavy, \$1.15.

ETOILE DE HOLLAND (Vigorous, New)—This seems to be the long looked for red everblooming rose. So many of the red roses when free-blooming lack constitution and those which have strong constitutions are not found to be floriferous. This new variety has both requisites and the flower does not blue with age. A real acquisition. A sterling rose. \$1.50 each.



SOUV. DE CLAUDIUS PERNET (Description Page 15)

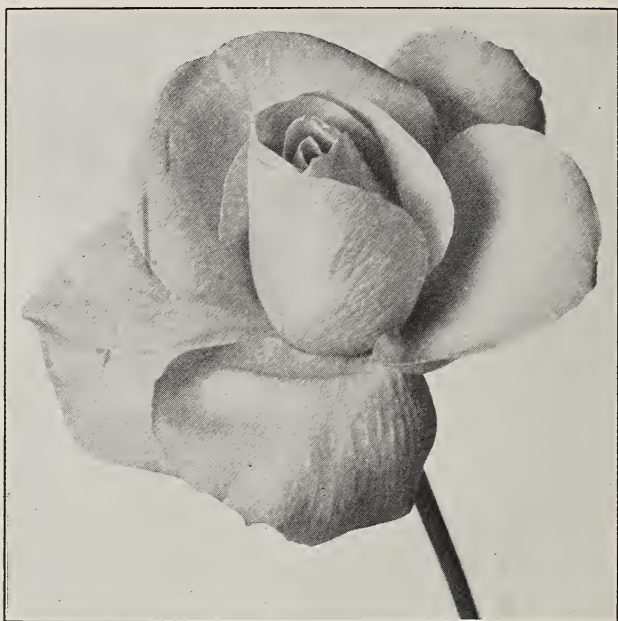
A yellow rose which does not fade.

FEU JOSEPH LOOYMANS (New)—Long pointed buds and an entirely new lift in color hitherto unknown among Roses. Vivid Orange. It has good habit of growth and mildew-proof foliage. Was the outstanding exhibit at the Ontario Rose Exhibit recently held in Toronto. We bud this Rose on Rosomane stock. \$1.25 each.

FRANK W. DUNLAP—An improved Mrs. Charles Russell. I find that this variety is head and shoulders superior to Mrs. Russell in habit and growth. The plant is easily grown and the flowers of very deep pink, last a long time when cut or in the garden. A really worth while variety. \$1.00 each.

GEN. S. A. JANSEN—H. T.—Large brilliant Carmine double flower, freely produced. A very strong growing, free flowering plant of perfect habit. 2-year, \$1.00 each.

GENERAL McARTHUR—Vig.—Bright Scarlet Red. A universal favorite of good habit and possessing delightful fragrance. In the Summer the color goes off. This must be expected but in spite of this, it should be planted in every collection. 85c each—Extra heavy, \$1.00.



MADAME BUTTERFLY (Description Page 10)

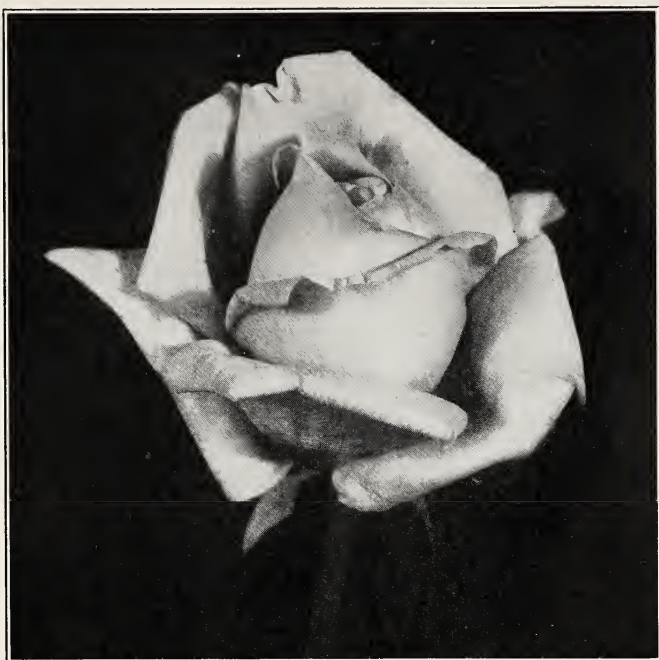
GEORGE C. WAUD—Orange Vermillion, distinct and beautiful, perfect finish, floriferous. Strong tea perfume. Give it the best place in your garden. Beautiful in Spring and Fall. Blooms fade in hot weather. \$1.00—Extra heavy, \$1.15.

GOLDEN OPHELIA—A seedling of Ophelia but more yellow than its parent, with same healthy habit of growth. As all the Ophelias open in all kinds of weather, they must be considered in every garden collection. 2-year, \$1.00—Extra heavy, \$1.15.

GOLD MINE (New)—Indian Yellow—An improved Mrs. Aaron Ward. Its habit of growth is stronger than its parent and the color more pronounced. \$1.25 each.

GORGEOUS,—H. T. Vig.—Very double. Light Yellow, with Copper shadings. Best, early in the season, foliage fair. Not a tall grower. Quite bushy. 85c—Extra heavy, \$1.00.

GRUSS AN TEPLITZ—Very Vig.—An exceedingly strong grower with plum colored foliage, moderately full blooms appearing in clusters at the end of long stems. Very seldom out of bloom. A fine rose for hedging or massing. In some cases the rose comes blind because growers do not bud it from flowering wood. We bud from the flowering wood. Every rose garden should have it. 85c each—Extra heavy, \$1.00.



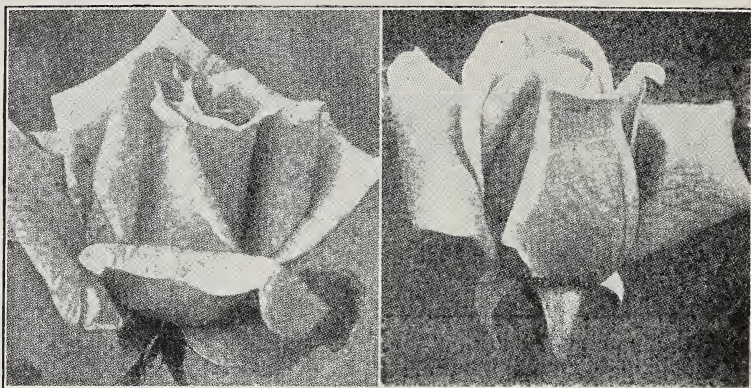
MRS. ERSKINE PEMBROKE THOM—New (Description Page 13)

HADLEY, H. T.—Vig.—This, a Dark Velvety Red Rose, was sent out as a forcing rose but it has proved its worth for garden decoration. The color holds well in the garden and is very fragrant. The blooms increase in size with the cooler weather. A really good red rose. \$1.00 each.

IMPERIAL POTENTATE—This new Rose was awarded the Gold Medal by the City of Portland for the best bush rose shown and the Silver Trophy of the Portland Chamber of Commerce for the best rose produced in 1923 on the Pacific Coast. I would call the color orange vermillion, although frequently catalogued as pink. The color does not fade. I never was more impressed with a new rose and I predict that it will be included in the best 12 roses for general culture. This new rose is certainly a great advance. See cut, page 10. Extra heavy. \$1.25 each.

JONKHEER J. L. Mock—One of the best bedding roses and at its best in a dry hot season. In a wet season, the buds do not all open well. The color is a deep Imperial Pink, reverse Silvery Rose White. The best rose to hold and last, as its substance is truly marvelous. 2-year old plants, \$1.00 each—Extra heavy \$1.15.

KAISERIN AUGUSTA VICTORIA—H. T.—The ideal bud and open flower, possessing that beautiful spiral formation with reflex petals. The flower is very full and always perfect. Color, creamy white, tinted yellow. Strong magnolia-like fragrance. Excellent foliage. When well fed, the plant produces exhibition blooms that are a joy to behold. \$1.00 each.



SOUV. H. A. VERSCHUREN
(Description Page 15)

REV. F. P. ROBERTS
(Description Page 14)

KONIGIN CAROLA—This Rose has an ideal constitution, good foliage and always in bloom. Its buds are long pointed, very double, in color, Satiny Rose. A good rose under adverse conditions. 2-year, \$1.00.

K. OF K. (KITCHENER OF KHARTOUM)—H. T.—In my opinion this red rose is much better than Red Letter Day as the flowers hold their shape better with the added advantage of possessing fragrance. A fine rose for massing. 85c each.

KILLARNEY—A one time universal favorite on account of its free blooming propensities and delicious fragrance. In my opinion, it is not as good a grower as Killarney Queen. It is subject to mildew. 85c each.

KILLARNEY QUEEN—A decided advance over its parent not only in color and growth, but is immune to mildew. No garden is complete without this rose. \$1.00 each.

LADY ALICE STANLEY (Vig.) McGredy 1909—Outside of petals deep coral rose, inside pale flesh. Elegant large full flowers carried on good stems and sweetly perfumed. A very reliable, satisfactory rose and highly recommended. 2-year, \$1.00—Heavy.

LADY ASHTOWN—H. T. Vig.—Rich silver pink, very double blooms with high pointed center and splendid shape. Free flowering and a good bedding variety. The flowers keep splendidly before and after cutting and is quite an aristocrat. Since its advent in 1904 many others of similar color have come and have been found wanting. \$1.00 each—Extra heavy, \$1.15.



COLUMBIA (Description Page 3)

LADY PIRRIE—Delightful buds opening to semi-double flowers of deep Coppery, Reddish Salmon, inside of petals Apricot Yellow. A fine rose for massing, as it is a persistent bloomer. Buds should be cut before they open widely. 2-year, \$1.00.

LADY URSULA—Extremely vigorous—(A Dickson 1909)—The strongest growing Rose of the Hybrid Tea family. The flowers are flesh Pink, with pointed buds which beautifully reflex and the plant is always in bloom. In my opinion the most satisfactory Rose of its color, and one that always does well, even under adverse conditions. 2-year old, \$1.00—Heavy, \$1.15. See color plate, page 12.

LAURENT CARLE—Velvety carmine, double with delightful fragrance. A lop-sided grower. Lord Charlemont, Etoile de Holland and Hadley in my estimation are much superior. \$1.00 each.

LOS ANGELES—The most talked-of rose in America today. In color a luminous Flame Pink-toned Coral and shaded Gold with petals of great substance. This rose has and is now sent out budded on Multiflora and Manetti stock and has proven a great disappointment. A small percentage surviving. Generally all die back before active growth commences. We do not lose one in a hundred, as our stock is budded on Gloire de Rosomanes that never dies back. Try our Los Angeles. We have dozens of testimonials from customers stating that our Los Angeles was the first of that variety that did well. 2-year, \$1.25.



IMPERIAL POTENTATE (Description Page 7)

Do not miss this rose.

LORD CHARLEMONT (New)—One of the most gorgeous, brilliant red roses in commerce. The flowers of most intense crimson, deepen to carmine, crimson with almost black shadings. Opens perfectly in all weather. The plant is free growing. Deliciously scented. A Royal Rose of much merit. \$1.50 each.

MADAME BUTTERFLY—A glorified Ophelia. This variety has taken pride of place in our rose gardens. The growth is exceptionally good and the flowers all open perfectly, even in wet weather. In color, we find Flesh, Cream, Salmon and Yellow. A dependable rose of great substance. 2-year, \$1.00—Heavy, \$1.15.

MADAME JULES BOUCHE—H. T., Very Vig.—Full pearly white Camelia-like flowers, shaded blush. Superb in Autumn. The bloom lasts a long time after being cut. Considered by the craft as the best White H. Tea rose for garden culture. \$1.00 each.

MADAME EDOUARD HERRIOTT (P. Ducher 1913)—Also known as the Daily Mail Rose that was the talk of Europe a few years ago. Its color is unique in the extreme, described as "Coral Red, shaded with Yellow and bright Rosy Scarlet." A wonderful combination of hues. The plant is generally catalogued as a vigorous grower but we find its growth only moderate. A pleasing color when a strong grower, is not desired. 2-year, \$1.00—Extra heavy, \$1.15.

MISS CYNTHIA FORDE—H. T.—An extra vigorous growing rose that is not exacting in its requirements, producing its deep rosy pink flower in profusion and carried on stiff stem. The rose is rapidly becoming a favorite with all garden lovers. \$1.00 each.



RADIANCE (Description Page 16)

MISS LOLITA ARMOUR—(Howard & Smith 1920)—Flowers are large and full with great substance and deliciously scented. As the blooms expand, they develop to a deep coral-red with a golden suffusion. The plant is a good grower and free flowering. Awarded the highest honor at the International Rose Show in Paris. 2-year, \$1.15.

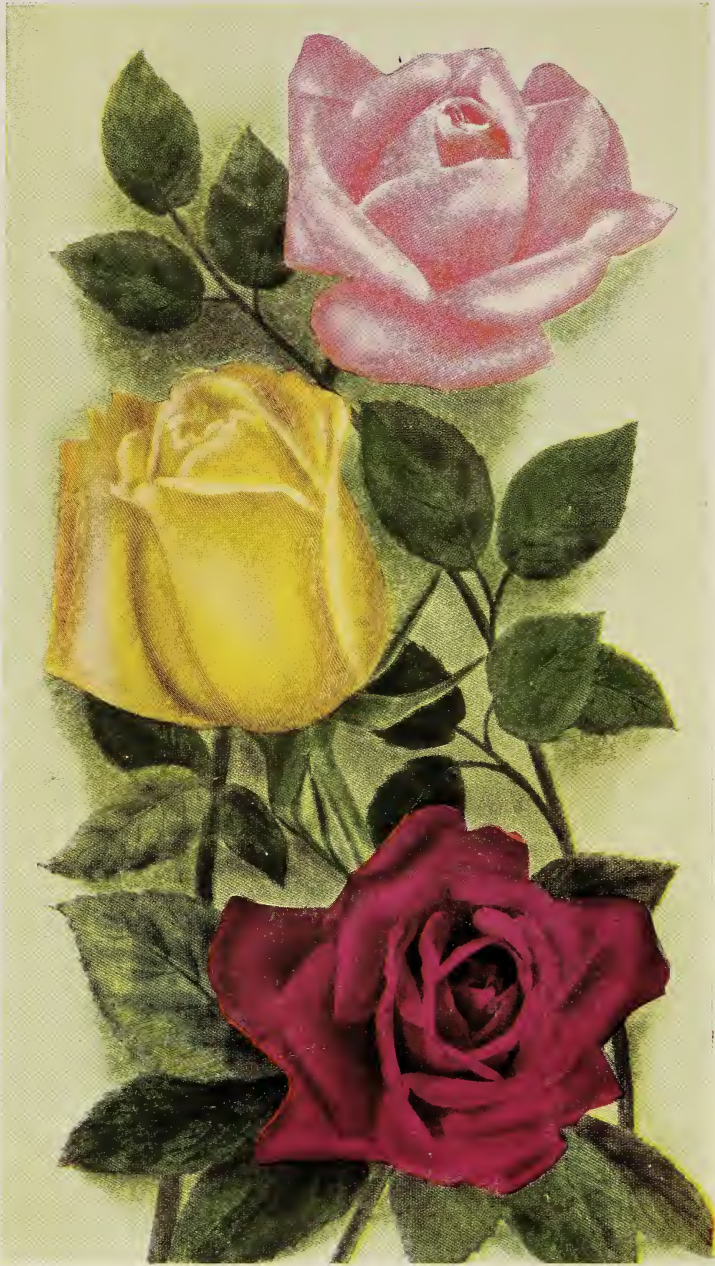
MADAME LEON PAIN—A truly worth-while, dependable Rose. In color, Silver Flesh shaded deep Orange. Its habit is quite branching and universally does well under adverse conditions. 2-years old, \$1.00.

MME. ALEX. DREUX (New)—As far as color, a very interesting rose. We were not impressed favorably the past season with this variety. In some gardens it does remarkably well, while in others it is a poor grower. A connoisseur's rose. \$1.25 each.

MRS. AARON WARD—H. T. Free—Delightful little buds of Indian yellow, quite full opening in all kinds of weather and always in bloom. Its holly-like foliage is most attractive and its constitution is quite dependable. A favorite with the ladies. It is head and shoulders superior to such yellow roses as Sunburst, Rayon D'Or, Mrs. Rindge or Constance. \$1.00. See cut, page 21.

MRS. CHARLES BELL—Called the Apricot Radiance. The growth and form of bloom is the Radiance type, differing only in color. Does well everywhere and is not exacting in its requirements. Fine in the South where other roses fail. \$1.00 each.

MRS. A. R. WADDELL—H. T. Very Vig.—A beautiful decorative rose for massing. The tapering yellow copper buds are produced in great profusion. Deliciously perfumed and the color becomes more pronounced in the Fall. Blooms semi-full. As good a grower as Teplitz. \$1.00 each—Extra heavy, \$1.15.



Lady Ursula, Pink; Duchess of Wellington, Yellow, and Red Radiance.
Three best garden Roses, in their respective colors, being strong
growing, free blooming, and resistant to disease

MRS ERSKINE PEMBROKE THOM (New)—Can be truthfully called the Yellow Radiance. Rose lovers have been looking for a yellow rose with the habit of growth and free blooming propensities of Radiance. This new variety of American origin promises to fill a long felt want. The buds are a deep canary yellow without shadings. Opens into good sized flowers that are a joy to behold. Don't miss this rose. \$2.00 each. Cut, page 7.

MRS. FRANKLIN DENNISON—An unusually strong growing porcelain white rose, with large sized petals and great substance. The plant is free flowering and one of the best of the light colored varieties. \$1.00 each. Cut, page 20.

MRS. HENRY BOWLES (New)—An improved Mme. Abel Chatenay. A rose of much distinction. Very free blooming and very vigorous habit of growth. Will be more generously planted when better known. Color a most effective deep salmon pink of splendid form. \$1.50 each.

MRS HENRY MORSE—new—This new Irish Rose has won several distinctions abroad. Mr. McGredy in first offering this novelty, stated that he never offered a new variety with greater pride. The flowers rising from a groundwork of soft Flesh-Cream, the whole flower has a clear sheen of bright Rose, washed Vermillion, which is really wonderful for depth, size and substance. The most pointed of all roses of its type. \$1.25 each.

MRS LOWELL SWISHER (New)—A remarkably strong growing and free blooming variety. The color of the buds is deep copper at the base, merging to salmon pink at the tips. Its attractive foliage adds much to its beauty. Has a great future. Scarce. \$2.00 each.

MRS. W. C. EGAN—This is the first year I had enough stock to catalogue this sterling Rose. Its massive, perfect blooms are borne on rigid stocks opening into flowers of two-tone Pink, shaded Yellow. Flowers quite lasting with strong branching habit of growth. The best rose of its color ever sent out and better still it is of American origin. 2-year, \$1.25.

OPHELIA—Admittedly the best light colored rose that Wm. Paul & Sons, the English hybridists, ever sent out. A rose that is admired by everyone. Its flowers are held erect on long stiff stems and are of the most perfect form, good size and substance. Color a delicate tint of Salmon Flesh, shaded Rose. Very free flowering. Do not miss this variety. 2-year, \$1.00—Extra heavy, \$1.15. See page 14.

OPHELIA SUPREME—Similar to Ophelia in habit of growth, differing only in color, which is more pronounced than its parent. A beautiful bedding rose of charm and distinction. 2-year, \$1.00.

PADRE—H. T. Vig.—Strong, upright growth, producing flowers with fine long petals of coppery scarlet coloring; flushed yellow base. An excellent bedding variety. This new rose from England has all the earmarks of a comer. A sterling variety. Will produce more blooms than any other H. T. rose we know. \$1.25 each.

PRINCE DE BULGARIE—Silvery Flesh delicately shaded Salmon. Long buds opening to full cupped flowers. Petals large and well shaped. One of the best decorative Roses extant. Free bloomer and with no bad faults. Fine in Autumn. 2-year, \$1.00 each.



OPHELIA (Description Page 13)

RADIANCE—The rose that does grow and is always in bloom, even in the hottest weather. An ideal bedding rose of American origin that should be more generally planted. The color is brilliant Carmine Pink with Yellow shadings, slightly by-color. A sterling Rose. 2-year, \$1.00—Extra heavy, \$1.15. See cut, page 11.

RED RADIANCE—very vigorous—A counterpart of Radiance except in color. Possesses all the good traits of its parent. Color is a bright Cerise Red. This rose does well when others fail. Its habit of growth is branching and we find it to be the ideal **Hybrid Tea**. If I were to have but one red rose, it would be Red Radiance. 2-year, \$1.00—Extra heavy, \$1.15. (See color plate, page 12.)

REV. F. PAGE ROBERTS—H. T. (New)—Long copper red buds opening to golden yellow. A truly gorgeous rose of great distinction. The flowers are large, well formed and last a long time when cut. \$2.00 each. Stock limited. See page 8.

ROSE MARIE—(Durner & Sons 1918)—A remarkable free flowering variety, producing large long ideal buds that are a joy to behold. They develop into full flowers of beautiful form and great substance. A most pleasing clear Rose Pink. In my garden the plant was at its best as a maiden. 2-year, \$1.00—Extra heavy, \$1.15.

SOUV. GEORGES PERNET (P. Ducher 1922)—This new Rose is said to be a great bedder. Its globular flowers of Orient-Red open naturally. It is a stocky grower and free flowering. The habit of growth is ideal, and judging from its short period of cultivation, it appears to rank with the best. \$1.25 each.

SOUV. CLAUDIUS PERNET (new)—This new French Rose, color a striking Sunflower Yellow, deeper in centre, without any color blending, and which is retained without fading in the warmest weather, has flowers large and pointed and beautifully formed. Foliage is brilliant green. You cannot afford to miss this new variety as the price is now within reach of all. \$1.25 each—Extra heavy, \$1.50. See cut, page 5.

SOUV. DE GEORGE BECKWITH—Another new Rose of great distinction. Its large double blooms of Salmon Pink and Yellow are freely produced and quite lasting. It has proved to be a vigorous grower and much superior to the Lyon Rose which it has superceded. Should be more generally grown. Don't miss it. Strong plants, \$1.25. See cut, page 4.

SOUV. H. A. VERSCHUREN—Buff Yellow-Shaded Orange. Blooms perfect and lasting. This Holland introduction has lived up to its previous reputation. We find it unusually free from disease, a fair grower and very productive. Holds its head erect and does not fade badly. A really good Yellow Rose. 2-year old, Extra heavy, \$1.25. See cut, page 8.

WHITE KILLARNEY—Vigorous—(Waban Rose Co. 1909)—A true sport from the ever favorite Pink Killarney, with larger and more double flowers. Perpetual blooming (subject to mildew). Fine in Autumn. 2-year, \$1.00.

WILLOWMERE—The color is similar to Los Angeles. Its outstanding characteristics are hardiness and free blooming propensities, it never being out of bloom. This rose is not good when budded on certain stocks but we have the stock to which it shows an affinity to do well upon. 2-year, \$1.00—Extra heavy, \$1.15.

WILLIAM F. DREER—A counterpart of Los Angeles except color. In it are found the yellow tints of the water lily. A most pleasing color. \$1.00 each.

Prices of our Roses are less than that of any grower offering equal size plants. Nowhere can you buy stronger plants than ours.

Hybrid Perpetual Roses

The varieties listed below are unquestionably the cream of their class, comprising a full range of color. These roses require less care than Hybrid Tea Roses and yield abundance of flowers in June with scattering flowers in the Autumn months. They make a beautiful background for a bed of Hybrid Tea Roses and are strongly recommended for cold climates.

CANDEUR LYONAISE—The new Druschki. Similar in habit with the added distinction of producing larger blooms. 2-year, \$1.00.

FRAU KARL DRUSCHKI—Syn., Snow Queen and White American Beauty. Very Vig. The most generally planted of all white roses. The blooms are of enormous size, the outer petal showing a delicate tinge of pink. Unfortunately the flowers lack fragrance. This variety in many gardens frequently blooms in the Autumn. A great show rose. Strong plants, \$1.00 each.

GEORGE ARENDS—Or Pink Frau Karl Druschki, possessing the same growth and free flowering tendencies of Druschke, with the added virtue of being deliciously scented. A Royal Rose and should be more generally planted. 2-year, \$1.00—Extra heavy, \$1.25.

GEORGE DICKSON—This unique new rose named in honor of the senior member of the firm, Alex Dickson & Sons, and claimed by the originator as their ideal of a perfect rose. Its velvety black crimson blooms gracefully reflex. It never blues or browns. Its only weak point is that it occasionally hangs its head. Sweetly scented. Plant it with Druschke and George Arends. 2-year, \$1.00.

MAGNA CHARTA—Bright Pink, suffused Carmine, vigorous, one of the best. 2-year, \$1.00.

MRS. JOHN LAING—A beautiful soft Pink Rose of excellent form and habit. A very free flowering variety, deliciously scented and trustworthy. 2-year, \$1.00.

PAUL NEYRON—Deep Rose. The largest of all roses. After the main blooming season is over in June this variety sends up long canes bearing beautiful blooms that would make you wish you had planted more of it. A fine companion for F. K. Druschke. Strong plants, 3 feet high, \$1.00 each—Extra heavy, \$1.15.

ULRICH BRUNNER—Bright Cherry Red. Flowers full and large. A dependable rose. 2-year, \$1.00.

Budded vs. Own Root Roses

We at one time grew roses on their own roots but have long since discarded that method of propagation. We did not find the game worth the candle, when grown on their own roots the plants made poor growth, invariably winter killed even when protected. They required too much coddling. When budded, they make more growth in one season than own root roses do in three, come in flower sooner and produce finer and more blooms. Our budded stock is over twice as large as own root roses. I have as yet to see a really fine bed of Hybrid Tea Roses on their own roots.

Roses for Special Purposes

MARY WALLACE—Is more of a pillar rose than a climber, although it frequently attains a height of 8 feet. This rose was disseminated by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The department describes it as self-supporting, with large glossy disease resistant foliage, blooming with great profusion in Spring and Summer. The flowers are 4 inches across, are well formed, semi-double of bright Rose Pink with Salmon base. A rose for every garden. Price, \$1.25 each. Mammoth plants.

HALF STANDARD TREE ROSE ORLEANS—This variety does exceptionally well when budded on 2-ft. stems. They are hardy and always in bloom. The color is Deep Rose. They make an excellent setting for a bird bath or placed in rose beds to give them height, also along driveways. \$2.00 each.

CONRAD F. MEYER—Hybrid Rugosa—In this delightful Hybrid we have an ironclad, strong-growing Rose with strong self-supporting canes. Can be used as single specimens or massed (set about 4 feet apart). Its average height is about 6 feet. Fine for screening unsightly views. This rose should not be pruned except to shorten the strong canes to about 3 feet. Prune quite early in March. The flowers are quite full, a beautiful shell pink and an established plant, frequently carries several dozen blooms. Strong plants, \$1.00 each—Extra heavy, \$1.25. See cut, page 22.

NOVA ZEMBA—A white sport of the above, identical in habit. \$1.00 each.

JULIET HYBRID BRIAR—This rose always has been in demand on account of its unique coloring. Outside of petals, Old Gold, inside a rich Rosy Red. The blooms are good sized and quite fragrant. Strong plants, 85c each.

GRUSS AN AACHEN—New Polyantha—A decided new departure in edging roses as the blooms are as large as many Hybrid Teas and the plant is always in bloom. This rose is so much better than the type, that it should be listed separately. The color is Orange Red in bud passing to Salmon Green when open. Can be used to edge a bed of taller growing varieties especially the Crimson or Reds. Will be in great demand when better known. \$1.00 each. Half standards, this variety, 2 foot stems, \$2.00 each.

ORLEANS—Baby Rambler Type—Large flowers of brilliant Geranium-Red, suffused rose as the flowers mature. The plants grow to a height of 18 inches to 2 feet and are continuous in bloom. Fine for edging walks or around bird baths. 85c each.

ROSA HUGONIS—Light Yellow flowers, 1½ to 2 inches, blooming profusely along the entire length of slender arching branches, making a handsome display early in the season, usually a month before other roses are in bloom. Erect branching growth reaching 6 feet and very spreading, absolutely hardy. When out of bloom the foliage is picturesque. Can be planted amongst shrubbery, singly or massed. Extra strong plants, \$1.25 each.

NEW HYBRID RUGOSA ROSE—F. J. Grootendorst—This new type of Rose is called the Rugosa Baby Rambler. Has Rugosa foliage, absolutely ironclad. Grows about 4 feet high and wide, quite branching and everblooming. The flowers are like small Red Carnations. At its best as a specimen or in a bed in an exposed position. Strong plants, \$1.00 each.

Climbing Roses

These Roses are suitable for training over porches or other objects. They require little pruning which should be done immediately after flowering. Simply remove all black or dark canes by cutting them entirely away. This operation will encourage your roses to make new branches early in the season.

AMERICAN PILLAR—A single flowered variety bearing pink flowers in heavy trusses. It retains its foliage well in to the Fall and is very handsome.

BESS LOVETT—Similar to Climbing American Beauty with the added advantage, the petals drop cleanly as they fade. A fine, strong grower. \$1.00 each.

CHRISTINE WRIGHT—A strong growing Rose producing superb double blooms of Wild-Rose-Pink. Leathery foliage, immune from insects. \$1.00 each.

CLIMBING AMERICAN BEAUTY—This new rose has lived well up to its reputation. Strong and vigorous growth with canes 10 to 15 feet in a single season. Its rosy crimson flowers on long stems are enhanced by its beautiful foliage, fragrant and fine for cutting. Extra heavy plants, \$1.00 each.

DOROTHY PERKINS—A most splendid variety of strong, rampant growth, together with its glossy foliage, makes it ideal for Pergola effect or arches. Its pink flowers come in clusters. Very hardy.

DR. VAN FLEET—Flesh pink on the outer surface deepening to rosy flesh. The flowers are very double and carried on good stiff stems. The blooms, when open, will measure 4 inches in diameter with high pointed center. Extra strong growing. Extra heavy plants, \$1.00 each.

EMILY GRAY—The new Yellow Climbing Rose. Flowers semi-double, unfading and slightly fragrant, produced single or on small clusters by a strong growing plant. The foliage is pointed and shiny, like holly. This variety is almost hardy. Would suggest growing it as a pillar rose or on a hinged trellis which can be laid down in the Fall and covered with leaves. It is worth this attention. Price, \$1.50 each.

EXCELSA—THE RED DOROTHY—We have discarded the rose, Crimson Rambler, on account of its mildewing for this more meritorious variety. This new variety is not susceptible to mildew. Has an ideal habit of growth, throwing out canes that produce flowers in clusters of from 30 to 40, which are large for a climbing rose. The color is intense crimson maroon.

GARDENIA (Hybrid Wichuraiana)—The best strong growing yellow Rambler. Has beautiful glossy green foliage. Can strongly recommend this rose.

SILVER MOON—In this Rose we have an ideal habit of growth together with its bronze-green mildew-proof foliage. Its large flowers of ivory white with prominent yellow stamens are produced on long stems, ideal for cutting. Plants, \$1.00 each.

Prices of Climbing Roses

Prices of Climbing Roses are 75 cents each, except where noted.



PAUL'S SCARLET CLIMBER

We were awarded the silver medal for our display of this rose at Toronto, for the best new climbing rose.

PAUL'S SCARLET CLIMBER—(New)—We have imported many hundred novelties during the past twelve years from England and Ireland, but this new rose by far excels any climbing rose we have today. We were the first to exhibit this climbing rose at the exhibition of the Annual Rose Show of the Rose Society of Ontario held in the City of Toronto. The flowers we staged were open over two weeks, the color being as perfect as on the first day. This is the only rose in the world today that will not go off color. The plant in the garden immediately arrests attention. It has lovely mildew-proof foliage. The flowers are of medium size, semi-double, freely produced in clusters of from three to six flowers, each on much-branched canes. The plant is literally covered with flowers from top to bottom. Was awarded the Gold Medal of the National Rose Society of England and the much coveted Gold Medal at Bagatelle Gardens, Paris. Fine for Pergola or Pillars and absolutely hardy. Heavy plants, \$1.00.



MRS. FRANKLIN DENNISON (Description Page 13)

Reasons Why We Do Not Catalogue the Following Roses

We have grown them in previous years. They have been superceded by others.

America—A poor grower.

American Beauty—Useless for garden.

A. R. Goodwin—Good only first year.

Bessie Brown—A head hanger.

British Queen—Only good in the west.

Constance—Good first season only.

Etoile de Lyon—Impatient to wet.

Francis Scott Key—Opens badly.

Golden Emblem—Poor in the East.

Harry Kirk—A poor keeper.

Irish Fireflame—Color lasts only a day.

Isobel Bloom—Closes at night.

Lady Mary Ward—A bad mover.

Lady Hillingdon—Weak stems.

La France—Balls badly.

Mrs. Charles Russell—Short stemmed.

Mrs. Wakefield C. Miller—Short stems.

Mrs. Ambrose Ricardi—Black spots.

Mad Ravery—Commonplace color.

Mme. Jules Grotez—Mildews.

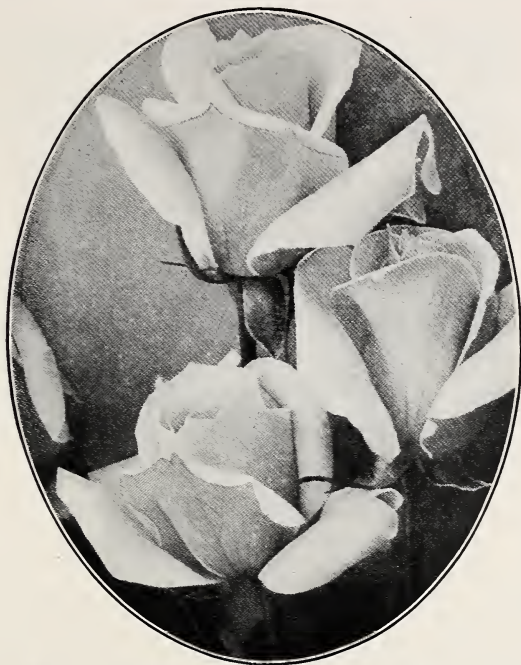
Mrs. Rindge—Short lived.

Old Gold—Too fleeting color.

Sunburst—The name sells the rose.

William Shean—An uncertain grower.

Louise Catherine Breslau—Black spots.



MRS. AARON WARD (Description Page 11)

Late April Orders

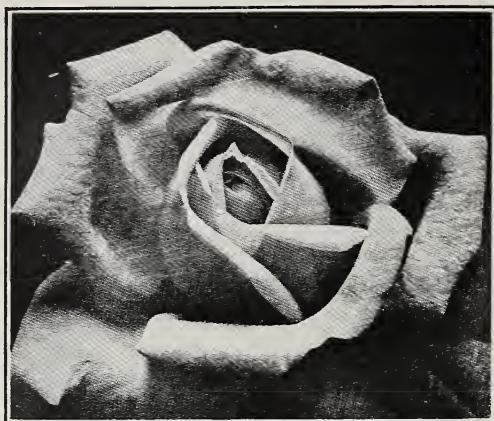
As the season advances certain varieties of roses naturally become depleted, and it would be impossible to fill long lists of sorts. If customers would permit substitution of similar varieties for at least a portion of the order it would enable us to fill it.

Our Extra Heavy Plants

Our extra heavy plants are the largest and hardiest wooded to be obtained anywhere. They represent the last word in roses. They will give your garden the appearance of an established bed.

MOST IMPORTANT!

Do not neglect spraying your roses with Bordeaux Mixture as soon as they are uncovered. Repeat every two weeks until well leaved out. This will check Brown Canker. A few applications in the Fall is beneficial before they are covered for the Winter.



CONRAD F. MEYER (Description Page 17)

Cultural Directions

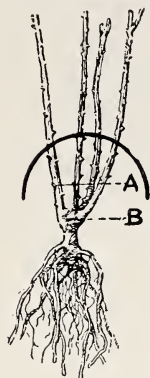
LOCATION—Choose the best position in your garden, where the air will circulate freely yet protected from strong winds. Do not plant near trees and keep away from hedges and shrubbery. Roses do not require constant sunshine. Do not plant annuals near your roses, they resent it.

SOIL—Roses are by no means arbitrary as regards to soil, or how could they come so universally good from widely different soils and locations. The ideal soil, a clay loam, suits them best. This soil should be of an adhesive nature, yet porous enough to permit drainage. Roses do not do well in all black soil as it contains too much acid. You will find that roses winter much better in heavy soil. Never elevate your rose bed except if its location is low. Elevated beds dry out rapidly. If your soil is sandy you can dig out holes where the roses are to set, about a foot square and 15 inches deep and fill in with heavier soil, mostly clay, to surround the roots, as the roses require heavy soil to cling to.

PLANTING—My roses are all low-budded and should be planted with the union one inch below the level. This is most important. Too shallow or too deep planting means failure. By all means plant firmly by treading the soil around the plant. When filling in the soil after planting, give one good watering to firm it. Dormant roses, when planted early, require little moisture until active growth starts. Hybrid Teas should be set eighteen inches apart, Perpetual or one crop roses, two feet apart.

PRUNING—Roses should be severely cut back, especially when planted in the Spring. Your best blooms come from the low eyes, being larger near the base of the plant. Always cut the thinnest canes shortest, and all weak wood entirely away. Cut the strong branches to six or eight inches and the smaller branches to half that length.

THINNING OUT—It frequently happens as the season advances, that several small shoots appear on some plants. These should be cut off. The plant will then branch from the bottom and throw out strong canes, producing beautiful blooms.



B—Shows where Rose is budded.

A—One inch higher, shows its ground level.

Curved circle, four inches higher still, shows soil moulded up for winter protection.

PLANT EARLY—Roses do much better when planted early. April is the growing month with its spring rains. Do not defer planting for fear of frost. My roses, being dormant, cannot be injured by early freezing. Late planted roses should be shaded for ten days and frequently watered.

FERTILIZER—Nothing is better for roses than cow manure. It can be used more liberally, besides holding more moisture than other manures. New horse manure is too heating and should be used as a winter mulch.

When one year old, it can be thoroughly mixed with soil. If manure cannot be secured, bone meal can be used with the addition of slacked lime or land plaster; this will sweeten the soil.

In cities where cow or horse manure are not available, pulverized sheep or cattle manure may be had and used quite heavily as a top dressing. Use at the rate of 50 lbs. for 50 roses.

DISEASES AND INSECTS—Aphis, or green fly, little insects which infest the new growths in countless numbers, are best dislodged by gently spraying with the garden hose. This at the same time, cleanses the plant. Tobacco dust, usually to be had at seed stores, dusted on the plants in early morning when covered with dew, is further recommended when conditions require.

Green Worm—(Those that eat the leaves.) Apply hellibore with a small powder bellows early in the morning when dew is upon the plants, about three or four applications a season will suffice. Both the tobacco dust and hellibore will temporarily disfigure the plant but it can be washed off by spraying with the garden hose the third day after application.

BROWN CANKER—Described and illustrated in 1927 Rose Annual. A fungus affliction controllable by spraying copiously with Bordeaux Mixture in Autumn—and frequently in early Spring before the foliage appears. In some gardens frequent losses occur which is attributed to winter-killing but which in reality is Brown Canker. The disease is detected by the appearance of brown spots surrounded by a purple rim. Remove the affected parts and spray frequently.

Mildew—Detected by a grayish appearance of the foliage. Usually starts on the newer growths, frequently caused by closeness in daytime and cold nights. May be held in check by applying dry sulphur in the early morning. During late summer, do not water your roses in the evening as this induces mildew.

BLACK SPOT—Appearing as the name applies upon the leaves usually on the base of the plant. This fungus disease makes its appearance in late Summer and can be prevented if precaution is taken in time. Apply Pomodust with bellows or blower every ten days during July and August and your roses will be clean of spot. 5 lb. cans cost \$1.25; 10 lb. cans, \$2.10; 15 lb. cans, \$3.00. Must go by Express.

WINTER PROTECTION—Mother earth, hoed about six inches around your plants is the best protection. This sheds the water, thus preventing the plant from heaving up. It also keeps the plant at an even temperature. This method is much better than applying heavy manure directly against the plant. Apply the manure between the mounds. It can then be dug in Spring. Do not apply the manure until after several hard frosts, as mice may harbor there and bark your roses, if applied early in the season.

All my roses, without exception, are out of door grown, having well-ripened wood. We lift them in the fall and store them in cellars, covering the roots with earth. We have no greenhouse, consequently the Roses we send out are all winter-rested and full of vigor and infinitely superior to Roses grown under glass.

Why order early. All orders are filled in rotation as received. Last season hundreds of late orders were returned. Acknowledgment of your order will be made at once.

I ship by Express and Parcel Post, the latter being the most satisfactory. Customers wanting roses shipped by Parcel Post, kindly remit 40 cents per dozen plants in 1st, 2d and 3d zones and 60c in 4th, and 5th zones when ordering. This applies to all orders east of the Mississippi River.

Fall Shipments. November 10th, customers ordering roses for fall delivery must order at least six roses.

We Reserve the right to omit an item, to balance a shortage in remittance due, also to add to your order if you have over remitted.

C. O. D. Orders must be accompanied by at least 25% deposit.

Complaints must be made upon receipt of goods, and will be rectified if we have made any mistake.

Guarantee. We guarantee our plants true to name and to reach you in good growing condition. If found otherwise they must be returned to us immediately and we will return your money. Following the custom of the trade and not knowing the treatment they will have when received, we do not guarantee none will die.

Second Choice. Kindly name a few additional varieties in case we are sold out of some sorts. This is important when orders are received late in the season.

Our Nursery of 12 acres is situated on Main St., half mile east of Williamsville, a suburb of Buffalo, N. Y. Street cars pass our door. Cars leave Main St., Buffalo City Line on the hour and half hour.

Late Orders. Each year we receive hundreds of late orders calling for specified varieties which we nor any other firm can possibly fill at such a late date. A large number of these customers fail to realize that certain sorts must become exhausted as the season advances. We would deem it a favor if permitted to fill such orders, using our best discretion as to similar colors.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

This will certify to the high standing of Robert E. Hughes of Williamsville, N. Y. Any statement he may make in reference to his roses will, in our opinion, be truthfully made.

Howard G. Britting,
President, Bank of Williamsville, N. Y.

The Experience of Others May be Yours

From the Sunny South.

Earlier in the year I bought from you a few roses. All of them varieties I have heretofore been unable to grow, but every plant that came from you this year has already bloomed and better still, each one of them are still growing and putting on another crop of buds and I am in hopes that I will be able to grow the Willowmere, Los Angeles and Rev. F. P. Roberts, received from you.

Yours truly,
E. S. Mitchell,
Sycamore, Ala.

I want to thank you for the wonderful roses you have sent to me. The finest I have ever seen.

Mrs. W. Stanley Emery,
Concord, N. H.

The stock you sent me were more than satisfactory and every bush is apparently doing fine in spite of the unfavorable weather. All bushes are putting out good, healthy shoots and I am delighted with them.

George P. Thomas,
Baltimore, Md.

From the President of the Rutherford, N. J. Garden Club.

You may like to know that a bloom from one of your plants of Los Angeles easily took first prize as the best Single Rose of our annual flower show last year. The wood was 30 inches long and three-eighths of an inch thick at the base.

Very truly,
George S. Lee, Jr.,
Rutherford, N. J.

Last year I planted 150 roses. Two-thirds of them budded; one-third own root, half the budded plants came from you. Your plants were by far the best and gave the best results last year. I am now able to see the results of the Winter. Not one of your plants were killed. Two plants I got from another firm died and the ones that came through are not as husky as yours. More than half of the own root plants died. That is the reason I am ordering my roses from you this Spring. I have learned yours are the best.

Yours truly,
William R. McKown,
Oakmont, Pa.

From Virginia.

Received your rose bushes 10 days ago. They are the finest bushes I have ever seen. Am sorry that my rose garden is so small.

Sincerely,
Mrs. H. L. Steber,
Wheeling, W. Va.

Roses arrived in perfect condition and I have never seen better plants. If they do not do well it certainly will not be the fault of the roses.

Mrs. Telesio Lucci,
Shields, Pa.

From Old Kentucky.

Am writing you to let you know how supremely beautiful my roses are. Words cannot express how wonderful they are. I made no mistake when I made my purchase from you. Shall always sing your praises when it comes to roses and honest fulfillment of orders.

With best wishes,
W. Pruett Graham,
Frankfort, Ky.

I have never seen a catalogue with more personality than you have in yours. I have enjoyed the roses sent me and found Los Angeles far superior to any that I have. I will be along after a while with another order.

Yours truly,
Dr. T. W. Weaver,
Wichita, Kansas.

My mother, Mrs. George W. Balkwill, received the ten Los Angeles roses in fine condition, and her head gardener says they are the finest rose bushes he has ever seen.

Yours truly,
Mrs. E. Lansing Jones,
Lake Road, Willoughby, O.

Only Lost One Plant in Four Years.

I am enclosing my usual little order for Roses and in doing so I want to take this opportunity to tell you that I have never seen such heavy, well developed, clean stock as I have received from you during the four years I have been ordering roses from you, and no doubt it will interest you to know that over this period of four years I have only lost one plant.

Yours very truly,
A. G. Hunter,
Springfield, Mass.

